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NINETEEN GERMAN WARSHIPS REPORTED SUNK

German Fleet Retreating To Holland Coast, Says British Admiralty

LONDON, AUGUST 7.—THE ADMIRALTY ANNOUNCES THAT BRITISH COASTWISE SHIPPING ON THE EAST COAST IS NOW SAFE BECAUSE THE BRITISH FLEET HAS ENGAGED THE GERMANS ON THE HIGH SEAS AND THE GERMAN FLEET IS NOW BEING CHASED TOWARD THE COAST OF HOLLAND.

LONDON, August 7.—Fridays, 6 a.m.—(By Bulletin Leased Wire)—It was announced here at 1:45 this morning that the British fleet has engaged the German ships on the high seas. According to one report the Germans are being driven towards the coast of Holland under the terrific rain of tons of shot and shell from the big guns of Sir John Jellico's battleships. The many

persistent commercial reports of the naval fight suggest that the rumor has a basis of truth. Incoming fishing boats brought the first cohesive stories of fighting to Lowestoft, on the North coast.

The fishermen said they had seen a lively scrap between two destroyers. After that was a series of reports from east coast towns that orders had been issued for the preparation of hospitals.

A shipowner at Whitby has announced that he has been informed that a great battle has been fought and 19 German warships have been sunk. The people of Hull, Grimsby and Harwich are convinced of the truth of this reported battle, and have been straining their eyes seaward but have seen nothing. There is great excitement all along the east coast. Kirkwall reports prolonged firing to eastward of the Ork-

neys, and Kirkcaldy make similar reports and say that the firing appeared to be off the Firth of Forth.

Official confirmation of these reports, however, is entirely lacking.

The eyes of the whole world will be turned upon the North Sea until the engagement now in progress is decided. It is the first great naval battle in the history of modern armored ships and much depends upon

the outcome of the clash of British and German ships.

If the British squadrons come out victorious in the end the pathway for Britain's army to Belgium is made safe. Safety also with United States commerce assured to the merchant vessels providing the United Kingdom with its supply.

Should Germany win the naval engagement, on the other hand, her fleet can prevent interference by England with

German's plans in France and she can bring starvation to England.

LOWESTOFT, Eng., August 7.—Trawlers returning here today report they witnessed fighting in the North Sea Wednesday. A German destroyer was fleeing from two British cruisers. A dense cloud of smoke from the destroyer gave the impression that she was afire.

APPALLING SLAUGHTER OF GERMANS AT LIEGE

BRITISH WARSHIPS ARE DRIVING GERMAN FLEET ASHORE ON DUTCH COAST

British Admiralty Reuses Either to Confirm or Deny Report—No Details Are Yet Available—Persistent Rumors From Rome Are to Effect that Italy Has Joined Great Britain, France and Russia—Admiralty Reports Sinking of Unprotected Cruiser, Amphion, by German Mine.

By Bulletin Leased Wire

LONDON, Aug. 6.—(12 a.m.)—The British fleet has engaged the German fleet on the high seas. The British warships are reported to be driving the Germans toward the Dutch coast. The press association claims it was advised of the fight by the fleet by the admiralty. The admiralty, however, refused to confirm or deny that a battle is in progress. No details are as yet available.

NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—Despatches from London state that persistent rumors from Rome are to the effect that Italy has joined Great Britain, France and Russia against Germany and Austria.

By Bulletin Leased Wire

LONDON, August 7.—All Europe awaits with tense interest the outcome of two battles which are now being waged in the struggle of the nations. If report is to be believed, the British and German fleets are engaged in a combat on the high seas which is likely to have an important bearing on the widespread conflict.

The German army of the Moselle, in its advance through Belgium, is meeting with determined resistance from Belgian forces. On Wednesday the Brussels reports declared that the Germans had been repelled all along the line, but yesterday the attack was renewed with greater energy, and probably with considerable reinforcements to the German side.

It is not to be forgotten, however, that all the news and reports that have been received respecting both land and sea operations have come through French and British sources, or sources in control or in sympathy with them. Germany's version of what has occurred has not yet been received, and therefore, the story has only half been told. Under existing conditions of communication it will be long before the complete story of the combat is told to the outside world.

The same applies to the movements of the Austro-Hungarian army, small details of which are operating against Serbia, and doubtless are being sent forward to check the Russian advance. Beyond the report of war by Austria Russia yesterday little is known of what action Austria is taking, only meagre details having filtered through about the Austrian army.

AMPHION IS SUNK BY GERMAN MINE

LONDON, Aug. 6.—(12:15 a.m.)—An Admiralty report says that the British cruiser Amphion, which had 120 officers and 125 men were lost. The captain, sixteen officers, and 125 men were saved. A previous report said that the German mine, which had been laid by the British, had been exploded by the British torpedo boat Lance.

The Lance was a light unprotected cruiser of 2,440 tons, somewhat smaller than that of the Canadian Rainbow.

The Lance rescued 28 of the German crew. Several were wounded. Two of them died later. The Lance was hit in the stern by a mine.

None of the Lance's crew was injured. The Konigliche Louise, which caught in the mine, was some miles from Harwich.

KITCHENER CHEERED ON STREETS OF LONDON

LONDON, Aug. 6.—Kitchener called his first war council early this morning, and was loudly cheered by crowds in the streets as he drove to the meeting. It is 10 minutes since the council began. The campaign, which had been drafted and revised the arrangements already made for the despatch of a British force of 150,000 men to the aid of Belgium, has been completed. The force will be available shortly for immediate deployment.

The measure will be a general decree, revoking the measure which prohibited the importation of arms to any land or the other declaring that any British subject who comes into any land or the other shall be liable to be tried and punished by the government, who will be guilty of high treason and liable to execution.

TOOKEN LANCE WAS HERO OF FIGHT

LONDON, Aug. 6.—(12:15 a.m.)—The British torpedo destroyer Lance was the hero of the first naval engagement in the present war, sinking the German cruiser Amphion, which had 120 officers and 125 men.

The Lance, a light unprotected cruiser of 2,440 tons, was hit in the stern by a mine-laying. The Lance fired only four shots. The first destroyed the mine, the second the third and fourth tore away the stern, and the boat sank in six minutes.

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GERALD JOFFE'S CHARGE OF FRENCH ARMY

LONDON, Aug. 6.—(12:15 a.m.)—General Joffre, who enjoys a great popularity with the men as he does with the French nation, has issued a decree in which General Joffre has once made up his mind nothing will force him to change his mind. He is 62 years old. He has been married ten years, but is childless, has a thick drooping moustache. He is noted for his excellent little hair.

He was trained as an engineer. The mobilization plan for the French army has been issued. General Joffre has April, and the result of their execution have exceeded all expectations.

LAURENTIUS' SITUATION CLEARS

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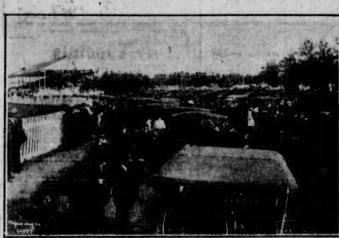
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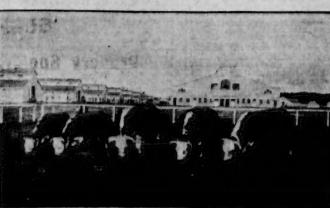


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U.S. STEAMSHIP COMPANIES TRY TO WORK BIG GRAFT

Secretary of War Garrison, How-
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ports Instead of Liners

Canadian Associated Press.

London, Aug. 6.—The office of the high commissioner for Canada, 11 Grosvenor Gardens, is thronged with people who have come to leave for home. Mr. H. L. Dryden, chairman of the Canadian board of railway commissioners, is assisting Hon. George H. Perley, acting minister of war, in the work of transport in the present emergency. The tour of the continent has been a difficult one in most ports, though there are some cases of peevishness.

"We are doing our best today," said Secretary Griffith, "that we are to have a smooth and everything is ruled accordingly."

Letter of Credit.

One of the difficulties in connection with letters of credit, which remain uncollected simply through the bankers' inability to find the men to whom they are addressed. The bankers in many instances have been unable to find the men to whom the money towards helping victims of the war has been wired, but it will not be certain whether the boat will sail until the letter of credit is cashed.

The Canadian boat left Britain this morning, bound for home, but it will not be certain whether the boat will sail until the letter of credit is cashed.

Another Bit of Credit.

London, Aug. 6.—Premier Asquith today announced that the British government would ask for another credit of £100,000,000 tomorrow.

in official despatches to the State Department. Urgent appeals for transportation are being made.

American Ambassador Herrick reported that the French panic had been allayed in Paris, so he had recommended that the good oil aboard the Canadian liner be sent to other cities in greater need. E. H. Miller, of the Canadian liner, who is in Paris, stated that at least thirty thousand Americans were in present transports and Americans were taking care of their own present accommodations. It would take about a week to get the American steamship companies to graft.

Secretary Garrison expressed his desire that the Canadian liner should be allowed to return to America as soon as possible. He said that they cannot take this vessel to a ship yard out of the United States treasury."

The steamship companies will not be able to do this, he said, as they cannot take this vessel to a ship yard out of the United States treasury."

Secretary Garrison said that he will use his purpose first to employ the Canadian liner to bring American transports to Galveston, already being fitted for trans-Atlantic service.

Chairman Dryden, who had just returned from fetching a Canadian liner from the port of St. Petersburg and returned from Stockholm, said that he had been unable to cancel his return through part of Russia and returned from Stockholm.

Professors J. M. MacEachern and W. A. R. Kerr, of the University of Alberta, were in Austria at the time of the war and have not returned to Canada, and have now returned to London. Prof. MacEachern, a native of Boyle and Son, are reported in Paris. Mr. Sonet is French by birth, but is a Canadian by adoption. He called upon to serve as a French army

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KAISER'S IRONCLADS OUTNUMBERED, FEAR OUR DREADNOUGHTS

Naval Experts in England Believe Von Tirpitz Will Send Submarines and Airships to Damage British Fleet Before He Offers Battle With His Main Squadron

(Special Cable to the Edmonton Bulletin.)

By Chester.

London, Aug. 6.—Everything is going well for England; England will not need to go to war. Naval experts are inclined to believe that Admiral Von Tirpitz, in command of the German fleet, will not risk everything in an immediate decisive action unless compelled to do so by British strategy.

The odds are considerably against him. So far as we know we are tremendously stronger than the Germans in the North Sea. In battleships we have two and one-half times as many as the Germans. Our submarine forces are more numerous and better than those of the Germans. Our ships are heavier and their armament is superior.

Von Tirpitz may make an attempt by submarine, torpedo, and airship attacks and by mine-laying to weaken our forces while retaining his main fleet under the shelter of smoke. He is considered likely here that this will be his preliminary skirmish.

Preparations for Receiving Wounded.

Preparations for receiving our wounded continue all along the eastern coast. Schools and public buildings are being rapidly converted into hospitals. Every field hospital that these will be managed by skilled surgeons, physicians and nurses.

A complete veil of silence hangs over the French military operations. Belgium's stubborn and successful defense has aroused the greatest admiration in British hearts. Their success has come as a great surprise, as Belgian courage and military genius have been held in low esteem generally.

Each hour that the Germans are delayed means an enormous gain in the general scheme of land operations. The Germans may leave an army division to lay siege to Liege, pushing forward the main body of invaders towards Longwy, where the first great land battle is anticipated.

Early Appearance of British Force.

The Belgians are eagerly awaiting the arrival of our expeditionary force, which will be the finest and best equipped force ever dispatched from this country. Everyone acquainted with the work at Aldershot testifies to the initiative, technical skill, and intelligence of the rank and file. The army's equipment will be the best that the English industry has produced. As it stands, our army will far outrank a proportionate number the most pre-eminent force in Europe.

I am familiar with the fact that the Japanese soldiers in the field are usually considered the world's best equipped, but

the British troops today are far ahead of their keenest class. The intelligence of our rank and file forms a particular contrast to the stolidity and mechanical discipline of the German opponents.

Splendid Response to Call to Colors.

The response to the decree mobilizing the army has been splendid. Numerous retired territories have rejoined the colors. Old naval and military deserters are surrendering themselves, saying now that England is at war they want to fight. Recruiting is proceeding briskly. The government is appealing to all men to register and to join the色. Various firms have announced their intention of continuing to pay any of their employees called upon for service.

The Manchester Guardian, which fought so strongly for peace, yesterday in announcing the declaration of war stated that it had ceased the controversy. "Our front is united."

Kitchener's Appointment Approved.

The appointment of General Kitchener as Minister of War has aroused the widest approval. It is one sign of how Parliament has risen above party politics. Another evidence is Lloyd-George's invitation to Arthur Chamberlain to co-operate with him in handling the national finances during the present crisis.

Bitter Hate for Germany.

All advice from the English to the Belgians is to the strongest to fight the bitter hatred against Germany aroused since war was declared. In Belgium and Holland the peasantry regard their struggle as a holy war for their liberty, and are prepared to go to any length in their resistance.

Numerous German settlers in England have taken out national papers this week. Others, while protesting loyalty to their fatherland, denounce the Kaiser and his group of advisors for beginning the war in language which makes English comment pale.

Will Take Up Huge Loan.

Estimates while acknowledging that the re-opening of the banks tomorrow must involve a severe strain, express confidence that the present situation is now secure. The war credit of \$100,000,000 will, they say, be over-subscribed within two days of its issue.

It has been found that the ten shilling bank notes will remove the serious inconvenience now felt by the public generally owing to the shortage of money. Five-pound notes are practically unchanged until the banks open. Almost everyone is refusing them.

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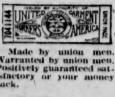
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